

Amendment No. 1 to HB0540

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by deleting the amendatory language "any state or federal court of this state" in subdivision (3) of SECTION 4 of the printed bill and by substituting instead the language "any state court".

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the amendatory language "any state or federal court of this state" in SECTION 6(a) of the printed bill and by substituting instead the language "any state court".

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting amendatory § 39-16-517(b) of SECTION 7 of the printed bill and by substituting instead the following:

(b) A person commits an offense who intentionally, without or prior to the filing of a complaint, lawsuit, or other legal action in any state court communicates, in writing or by electronic communication, with a local government unit or local public servant in an offensively repetitious manner with the intent to influence, persuade, or induce the local government unit or local public servant to terminate, halt or cease a particular policy, practice, action or custom and the person:

(1)

(A) Intends the communication to be a threat of initiating legal action against the local government unit or local public servant challenging the particular policy, practice, action or custom, and a reasonable person would perceive the communication to be a threat of initiating legal action; or

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(B) Makes a threat within the communication to initiate legal action against the local government unit or local public servant challenging the policy, practice, action or custom; and

(2) Makes the communication knowing that it will alarm or annoy the local government unit or local public servant.